rio .	10	1	8	1	1	7	40	5
F.A.	8	0	8	0	1	6	57	2

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	P.	W.	L.	D.	B.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
n Pk.	9	6	0	3	1	23	7	17
be U.	7	5	1	1	1	29	8	13
ld .	8	4	1	3	1	14	11	13
Fern.	8	3	1	4	1	17	10	12
Arc.	9	3	4	2	1	13	17	10
nba .	9	3	5	1	1	14	27	9
Hill .	9	1	6	2	1	16	26	6
own .	9	1	8	0	1	4	24	4

Division 2.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	B.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
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G's.	10	7	2	1	0	34	10	15
er U.	11	3	6	2	0	14	34	8
ght .	11	2	7	2	0	14	36	6
eters	10	0	6	4	0	12	30	4
F.A. .	11	1	9	1	0	4	43	3

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own .	10	8	2	0	1	29	9	18
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ba .	9	2	6	1	2	6	27	9
ndrs.	10	2	8	0	1	10	21	6
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Rd.	10	1	8	1	1	5	44	5

Division 2.

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Rvrs.	11	7	4	0	0	25	15	14
dow	10	7	3	0	0	16	9	14
h .	11	3	6	2	0	7	20	8
ht ..	11	2	9	0	0	8	29	4

ese Tour—(*Cont. from page 14.*)

an plays Soccer and also a good of Rugby. So much do they Rugby, I was asked by a nent Japanese to transfer my ities to Japan and to decide to Japanese Rugger team, assur- e of the Government's support. mises of support have also been me by prominent Filipinos re sequent visit to Australia of a no Soccer or Rugby team. ave had plenty of newspaper ity here and my intentions been made broadcast through- e Orient.

s is what I desire to point out. anila and Japan—the latter Olympiad. The Chinese tour the Antipodes playing Soccer. They are the first Oriental team to be invited to tour.

What is the inference?

I say, unhesitatingly, it will be the greatest filip to your code in these three countries. Again, the Chinese Government has practically decided to follow in the wake of this team with a Trade Commission. I have stressed this point most emphatically in my addresses. I have pointed out the ignorance of our people of all things Chinese, due to the false impression gained by our people judging by the class of Chinese we are accustomed to meeting.

China, although at present in a state of political chaos, is quickly awakening, and I am pleased to say my words have not fallen on deaf ears. I have been informed that it is the Government's intention to send a Trade Commission out.

You will see that my efforts to make this noteworthy have been rewarded. There will be some tone about the whole thing, and the personnel of the team will be fitted to carry it through. Their demeanour, as well as their ability, is going to be a revelation to our people. Of that I am certain.

I would like to see an energetic publicity campaign entered upon. There is plenty of matter to fire the imagination of the public and I will send it. In the meantime, Mr. Storey, I thank you and again express my pleasure at the decision of your Association to enter upon the venture. With the unanimous effort of all concerned I see no reason why it should not be an unprecedented success. Assuring you and your Association of my earnest co-operation in the matter, I have the honour to remain,

Fraternally yours,
H. A. MILLARD.

P.S.—At latest I can inform you their colours will be royal blue and white with a gold emblem. I submitted these colours and they have been accepted. More anon.—H.A.M.

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The Gardiner Cup promises again some very interesting games before the series is finished.

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STOP-PRESS

Boyle of Coledale takes Cartwright's place in N.S.W. team to Queensland. C. Leabeater and H. Sherringham are unavailable, and Muir of Woonona and Hancock (Balmain Fernleigh) have been selected to fill the vacancies.

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The Chinese University team arrive at Thursday Island on the 29th July (to-morrow) anid at Sydney on August 6th (Bank Hol day).

Mr. J. J. Winch, Hon. Sec. Brisbane Junior Football Association, has been appointed Manager of the Queensland Junior team to visit N.S.W.

CHINESE TEAM.

About the Players.

The Chinese University students on their way to Australia arrived in Manila on Saturday.

C. J. Li, a half-back, is a native of Chekiang, and is 22 years of age. He has played Soccer for 11 years.

K. C. Shen is 5ft. 11½in. and 12st. 4lb. In 1915 he was a member of the University team of Nanking. In 1916 was a member of the East China team, and since then has devoted himself to football, baseball, and tennis at the University of Shanghai. He was the captain of the All Shia Tung team which toured Northern China last year.

N. G. Kam Cheun is a right back and weighs 10st.

Lenny Yuk Tong is a right half, is the captain of the team, and weighs 11st. 1lb.

Chan Kwong Yew is the left wing and weighs 10st.

Pany Kam Wing is the right wing and weighs 10st. 10lb.

Lau Hing Cheung is the goalkeeper and weighs 10st. 12lb.

Lai Luk Tai is the left back and weighs 10st.

Li Wai Tong is the inside left and weighs 11st. 4lb.

Wong Pak Chung is the centre forward; he weighs 10st.

Wong Sui Wah is a left back and weighs 10st.

Ip Kau is an inside right and weights 10st.

Leung Tai Fong is the centre half and weighs 10st.

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ADVERTISING MEDIUM—"SOCCER NEWS."

(To the Editor.)

Dear Sir,—

Just a line or two in appreciation of your little journal as an advertising medium. On July 14 I advertised for 20 young men to form a Soccer team in the Marrickville district for the 1924 season, and I wish to inform you that the replies have exceeded my expectations. I have nearly obtained the full number required of senior players, and also a full junior team has enrolled with me.

Hoping my team has the same success in their competition as my ad. did in "Soccer News," and wishing your journal every success in the future.

Yours gratefully, W. J. HOPKINS.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

Gardiner Cup.—Pyrmont v. Granville, Wentworth Park Oval, 3.15. Referee S. Lester. West Wallsend v. Cessnock, Newcastle Tramway Ground, 3.15. Wallsend v. Woonona (re-play), South Coast, 3.15.

First Grade, First Division.—Gladesville v. Pyrmont Rangers, Brereton Park, 3.15. Referee, S. H. Freeman. Balmain Gladstones v. Balmain Scottish, Ibrox Park. Referee, G. H. Harget. Sydney v. Balmain Fernleigh, Sydney Cricket Ground No. 2, 3.15. Referee, A. Peaty. Second Division: Auburn v. Two Blues, Wentworth Park Oval, 1.45. Referee, Bates. Canterbury v. Leichhardt, Canterbury, 3.15. Referee, D. Brown. Eastern Suburbs v. Burns' Anniversary, Mascot Park, 3.15. Referee, A Kerr. Campsie Thistle v. Pyrmont Rangers, Easton Park, 3.15. Referee, McDougall.

Sunlight Cup.—Lidcombe v. Pineville Rangers, St. George, Lidcombe, 3.15. St. George v. Manly, 3.15 Parramatta v. Botany Albion B, Parramatta, 3.15. North Sydney v. Botany Albion A, Booralee Oval, 3.15 Annandale Altona v. Leichhardt, Ibrox Park, 3.15. Fire Brigades v. Babcocks, Waterloo Oval, 3.15. Hornsby Ath. v. Austen's, Primrose Park, 3.15. Lachlan Rangers v. Sunlight, S.C. Ground, No. 2, 3.15. Metters, Ltd. v. West Sydney, Easton Park, 3.15. Gladesville v. Garden Island, Lyne Park, 3.0. Gladesville Hospital v. Rozelle Albions, Gladesville Hospital, 2 p.m.

We regret to have to record that Mr. Porter, of Canterbury, had the misfortune to break a leg whilst playing last week.

Robson, of Sydney, was suspended for one week last Monday night by the Management Committee in consequence of the St. George protest against Parramatta and the decision of the Committee in connection with the matter.

PREMIERSHIP TABLES.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
Granville	11	9	1	1	36	11	17
Bal. Fernleigh .	10	6	2	2	21	6	14
Bal. Glads.	10	5	5	—	18	17	10
Sydney	10	5	5	—	16	24	10
Pyrmont	11	4	5	2	12	15	10
Pyrmont Rangs.	10	4	5	1	15	22	9
Gladesville	11	4	7	—	22	26	8
Bal. Scottish ..	11	1	8	2	5	24	4

COMPETITION TABLES.

SECOND GRADE.

"A" Division.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	B.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
West Sydney	10	9	1	—	1	55	8	20
Sunlight	10	8	2	—	1	26	12	18
A'dale Altona	11	7	2	2	1	20	5	18
Leichhardt .	11	7	4	—	1	11	15	16
Callan Pk. ..	11	4	5	2	1	17	19	12
Nineville R's.	11	5	6	—	1	18	25	12
Roz. Albions.	11	4	7	—	1	4	32	10
Aust. Roads .	11	—	11	—	1	4	39	2

"B" Division.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	B.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
St. George .	10	10	—	—	1	39	9	22
Metters Ltd. .	11	7	3	1	1	23	6	17
Parramatta .	11	7	3	1	1	17	7	17
Hornsby Ath.	11	4	6	1	1	15	17	11
Gladesville ..	11	4	6	1	1	11	15	11
Bot. Alb. A..	10	4	6	—	1	16	23	10
Lidcombe ...	10	3	6	1	1	9	16	8
Babcock's XI.	10	2	7	1	1	4	18	5

"C" Division.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	B.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
Lach. Rangs.	11	8	1	2	1	64	10	20
Garden Is. ..	11	8	3	—	1	43	8	18
Fire Brigades	11	6	4	1	1	27	29	15
Glades. Hosp.	11	4	1	4	1	29	19	14
Manly B	10	3	4	3	2	22	25	13
N. Sydney .	11	4	4	3	1	25	24	13
Metters U. ..	11	4	5	2	1	16	19	12
Bot. Alb. B .	11	3	7	1	1	11	52	9
Eatern Subs.	10	1	9	—	2	6	36	6

METROPOLITAN CHAMPIONSHIP.

First Division.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
Granville	4	4	—	—	13	4	8
Bal. Fernleigh .	3	1	—	2	4	3	4
Sydney	3	2	1	—	7	9	4
Pyrmont	4	2	2	—	8	9	4
Bal. Scottish ..	4	1	2	1	3	6	3
Gladesville	4	1	3	—	7	9	2
Bal. Gladstones.	3	1	2	—	8	8	2
Pyrmont Rangs.	3	—	2	1	2	4	1

Second Division.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
Auburn	4	4	—	—	15	2	8
Leichhardt	4	3	1	—	8	8	6
Two Blues	3	2	—	1	7	2	5
Pyrmont Rangs.	3	2	1	—	7	3	4
Campsie Thistle.	4	1	2	1	3	7	3
Canterbury	4	1	3	—	3	7	2
Eastern Subs. ..	4	1	3	—	8	12	2
Burns Club	4	—	4	—	4	14	0

RESULTS FOR SATURDAY, 21st July, 1923.

GARDINER CUP.

Balmain Fernleigh beat Balgownie 1-0.
Sydney beat Lithgow Thistle 7-0.
Pyrmont Rangers B beat St. George 2-0.
Coledale beat Pyrmont Rangers 4-1.
Neath beat Two Blues 2-1.
Woonona played a draw with Wallsend. 2-2.

FIRST GRADE.

Granville beat Gladesville 3-1.
Pyrmont beat Balmain Scottish 2-1.
Auburn beat Canterbury 2-0.
Leichhardt beat Burns Club 2-0.
Eastern Suburbs beat Campsie Hosp. 4-2.

SECOND GRADE.

West Sydney beat Callan Park 4-0.
Annandale Altona beat Sunlight 2-1.
Rozelle Albion beat Pineville Rangers

IN THE LETTER BAG.

J. Crum, Full Back.

(To the Editor.)

Dear Sir,—

As a follower of the Round Ball Game, I am one of the many who take exception te letters which have been appearing in the "Soccer News lately, written by some person or persons under "Rover." In each case this person, or persons, write about the good points of J. Crum, of Pyrmont, as a Right Full Back, and at the same time takes particular care that some "poor" attempt is made to belittle Frank Gallen, of the Balmain Gladstone Club as a player. We all know that Frank has not reproduced his form in Big Football this season, but in club football he has shown form far superior to that of J. Crum, who had his opportunity against the South Coast team the day that New South Wales played New Zealand, and he certainly did not improve his reputation that day.

As a player I, and I am not alone, think that Gallen is far superior to Crum. He has only played first grade football for two seasons (not with the Premiers), and has gained Rep. Honours each season, and this on his ability and not through methods adopted by some Rep. Players.

It would certainly be interesting if "Rover" would come forward with his correct name, as at the present time there is a great deal of controversy as to whether this person is, or is not, a prominent First Grade Player.

Yours, etc.,
"GLADSTONE."

(To the Editor.)

Dear Sir,—

With reference to an article which appeared in last week's edition headed "J. Crum, Full-back," I desire to point out to the writer that J. Crum was given his chance in representative games early this season, being selected as Full-back in match Metropolis v. South Coast, and on that occasion he gave a poor exhibition, being probably the worst back of the four, his partner, Stan Anderson, saving his side from disaster on many occasions. On this form and his form since that date Crum did not deserve further representative honours. As regards the statement that Crum completely out

but he refused to leave the field, and naturally his play fell below his usual brilliancy in the second half. Gallen, despite his diminutiveness, is far superior to Crum as a footballer, being a great tackler and splendid tactician, whilst Crum is nothing more than, as he is described by your correspondent, "a good powerful kick."

Yours faithfully,
"ENTHUSIAST."

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PUBLIC GROUNDS.

Dear Sir,—

Your article last issue, stating that a move was now about to be made to secure the co-operation of other codes with a view to mutually arranging an allocation of grounds and eliminating the present system of each body tendering for a ground with the sole view of dispossessing the occupying tenant was read with interest. This move, it is stated, has my support, and it is taken for granted that as president of the N.S.W.S.F.A. I am to lead it. Well, let me say here to those interested in Soccer management that the N.S.W. S.F.A. has been for three seasons working assiduously to create amongst kindred codes the feeling that we have no jealous motives, and wish to be helpful to all other codes of football as well as other branches of outdoor sport. We have had to fight for existence against many interests; we have had to overcome many obstacles placed deliberately in our way, but we have won out; now we can say we will not be a willing party to perpetuating the evils we have overcome. We say it is better to get all codes together, lay our cards openly on the table, let each game state its requirements and mutually allocate present areas, decide amicably on reasonable rentals, and stop playing "cut-throat." It is not business; it is not sense; it is not playing the game to each other. In being featured as the leader for Soccer in this matter, I must point out that the action of the M.S.F.A. in tendering for Birchgrove Oval instead of asking for a conference with the League complicates the position very much; it is a bad hop off, and we cannot expect too good a welcome when we introduce our case for consideration. Therefore we must agree that individual and branch interests must work for a common policy along

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Their Training.

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Sunlight	10	8	2	—	1	26	12	18
A'dale Altona	11	7	2	2	1	20	5	18
Leichhardt	11	7	4	—	1	11	15	16
Callan Pk.	11	4	5	2	1	17	19	12
Pineville R's.	11	5	6	—	1	18	25	12
Roz. Albions.	11	4	7	—	1	4	32	10
Aust. Roads	11	—	11	—	1	4	39	2

"B" Division.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	B.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
St. George	10	10	—	—	1	39	9	22
Metters Ltd.	11	7	3	1	1	23	6	17
Parramatta	11	7	3	1	1	17	7	17
Hornsby Ath.	11	4	6	1	1	15	17	11
Gladesville	11	4	6	1	1	11	15	11
Bot. Alb. A.	10	4	6	—	1	16	23	10
Lidcombe	10	3	6	1	1	9	16	8
Babcock's XI.	10	2	7	1	1	4	18	5

"C" Division.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	B.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
Lach. Rangs.	11	8	1	2	1	64	10	20
Garden Is.	11	8	3	—	1	43	8	18
Fire Brigades	11	6	4	1	1	27	29	15
Glades. Hosp.	11	4	1	4	1	29	19	14
Manly B	10	3	4	3	2	22	25	13
N. Sydney	11	4	4	3	1	25	24	13
Metters U.	11	4	5	2	1	16	19	12
Bot. Alb. B	11	3	7	1	1	11	52	9
Eatern Subs.	10	1	9	—	2	6	36	6

METROPOLITAN CHAMPIONSHIP.

First Division.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
Granville	4	4	—	—	13	4	8
Bal. Fernleigh	3	1	—	2	4	3	4
Sydney	3	2	1	—	7	9	4
Pyrmont	4	2	2	—	8	9	4
Bal. Scottish	4	1	2	1	3	6	3
Gladesville	4	1	3	—	7	9	2
Bal. Gladstones.	3	1	2	—	8	8	2
Pyrmont Rangs.	3	—	2	1	2	4	1

Second Division.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
Auburn	4	4	—	—	15	2	8
Leichhardt	4	3	1	—	8	8	6
Two Blues	3	2	—	1	7	2	3
Pyrmont Rangs.	3	2	1	—	7	3	4
Campsie Thistle.	4	1	2	1	3	7	3
Canterbury	4	1	3	—	3	7	2
Eastern Subs.	4	1	3	—	8	12	2
Burns Club	4	—	4	—	4	14	0

RESULTS FOR SATURDAY, 21st July, 1928.

GARDINER CUP.

Balmain Fernleigh beat Balgownie 1-0.
Sydney beat Lithgow Thistle 7-0.
Pyrmont Rangers B beat St. George 2-0.
Coledale beat Pyrmont Rangers 4-1.
Neath beat Two Blues 2-1.
Woonona played a draw with Wallsend. 2-2.

FIRST GRADE.

Granville beat Gladesville 2-1.
Pyrmont beat Balmain Scottish 2-1.
Auburn beat Canterbury 2-0.
Leichhardt beat Burns Club 2-0.
Eastern Suburbs beat Campsie Hosp. 4-2.

SECOND GRADE.

West Sydney beat Callan Park 4-0.
Annandale Altona beat Sunlight 2-1.
Rozelle Albion beat Pineville Rangers 4-1.
Metters Ltd. beat Parramatta 2-0.
Gladesville forfeit to Babcock's.
Hornsby beat Botany Albion 6-0.
Lachlan Rangers and Gladesville Hosp. drew, 2-2.
Manly and North Sydney drew, 3-3.
Metters United forfeit to Garden Island.
Eastern Suburbs forfeit to Botany Albion B.
Fire Brigades, bye.

Dear Sir,—

As a follower of the Round Ball Game, I am one of the many who take exeeption te letters which have been appearing in the "Soccer News lately, written by some person or persons under "Rover." In each case this person, or persons, write about the good points of J. Crum, of Pyrmont, as a Right Full Back, and at the same time takes particular care that some "poor" attempt is made to belittle Frank Gallen, of the Balmain Gladstone Club as a player. We all know that Frank has not reproduced his form in Big Football this season, but in club football he has shown form far superior to that of J. Crum, who had his opportunity against the South Coast team the day that New South Wales played New Zealand, and he certainly did not improve his reputation that day.

As a player I, and I am not alone, think that Gallen is far superior to Crum. He has only played first grade football for two seasons (not with the Premiers), and has gained Rep. Honours each season, and this on his ability and not through methods adopted by some Rep. Players.

It would certainly be interesting if "Rover" would come forward with his correct name, as at the present time there is a great deal of controversy as to whether this person is, or is not, a prominent First Grade Player.

Yours, etc.,
"GLADSTONE."

(To the Editor.)

Dear Sir,—

With reference to an article which appeared in last week's edition headed "J. Crum, Full-back," I desire to point out to the writer that J. Crum was given his chance in representative games early this season, being selected as Full-back in match Metropolis v. South Coast, and on that occasion he gave a poor exhibition, being probably the worst back of the four, his partner, Stan Anderson, saving his side from disaster on many occasions. On that form and his form since that date Crum did not deserve further representative honours. As regards the statement that Crum completely outplayed Frank Gallen in match Pyrmont v. Balmain Gladstones, I say that this is all moonshine. Gallen, up to the time he badly wrenched his ankle, was playing sparkling football. The injury he received should have caused his retirement, is far superior to Crum as a footballer, being a great tackler and splendid tactician, whilst Crum is nothing more than, as he is described by your correspondent, "a good powerful kick."

Yours faithfully,
"ENTHUSIAST."

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PUBLIC GROUNDS.

Dear Sir,—

Your article last issue, stating that a move was now about to be made to secure the co-operation of other codes with a view to mutually arranging an allocation of grounds and eliminating the present system of each body tendering for a ground with the sole view of dispossessing the occupying tenant was read with interest. This move, it is stated, has my support, and it is taken for granted that as president of the N.S.W.S.F.A. I am to lead it. Well, let me say here to those interested in Soccer management that the N.S.W. S.F.A. has been for three seasons working assiduously to create amongst kindred codes the feeling that we have no jealous motives, and wish to be helpful to all other codes of football as well as other branches of outdoor sport. We have had to fight for existence against many interests; we have had to overcome many obstacles placed deliberately in our way, but we have won out; now we can say we will not be a willing party to perpetuating the evils we have overcome. We say it is better to get all codes together, lay our cards openly on the table, let each game state its requirements and mutually allocate present areas, decide amicably on reasonable rentals, and stop playing "cut-throat." It is not business; it is not sense; it is not playing the game to each other. In being featured as the leader for Soccer in this matter, I must point out that the action of the M.S.F.A. in tendering for Birchgrove Oval instead of asking for a conference with the League complicates the position very much; it is a bad hop off, and we cannot expect too good a welcome when we introduce our case for consideration. Therefore we must agree that individual and branch interests must work for a common policy along straight, definite lines, and we must be fair to others and helpful. If this condition is accepted, then I will do my best.

Yours sincerely,
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CRITICISM.

N.S.W. Selectors.

(To the Editor.)

Dear Sir,—

On Saturday last we saw playing against Balmain Fernleigh three of the players—Masters, Ward and W. Johnstone—who have been selected to represent N.S.W. in Queensland in August, and it is no exaggeration to say that I and my friends, at least, were astounded, after viewing the game for a little while, at the selectors' judgment, or, rather, lack of it. W. Johnstone is not a class footballer to my mind, much less worthy of interstate honours, while Ward was slow and feeble so far as shooting ability goes; while, plainly, Masters has seen his best day. Undoubtedly he is clever, and has some pretty touches, but he is absolutely ineffective. These men will have to do much better in Queensland, otherwise the ashes will surely remain there for the first time in the history of the series.

"DISGUSTED."

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BENEFIT.

Balmain Scottish is holding a Benefit Dance on August 29th for Gordon Hay, who had a leg broken, and Walter Cummings, who was injured internally. We hope all Soccerites will help to make the function a success by buying tickets, which can be secured from James Dailly, Baldovan Avenue, Concord.

LINESMEN MUST BE USED.

How They Might Improve the Game.

"I have always held the opinion that the referee of a big football match has a job which might be well called 'the world's worst,'" writes "Fanny Walden" to the New Zealand "Times." "He has to control twenty-two players who are apt to get excited and over-anxious in the course of a game in which the exchanges are carried out with amazing speed, such speed that it is impossible for any one man to keep right up with the play. And yet the official in charge must keep up with the play if he is to interpret correctly any infringement of the rules by the players. Again, the duties of the referee are carried out before possibly forty or fifty thousand spectators, each one of whom is ready to criticise should he make a mistake. Unfortunately, the spectators do not confine their criticisms to mistakes made by the referee, as often the official in charge sees things which are not obvious to a great proportion of the onlookers. Thus he very often gets criticised when he is quite right in his decisions.

"Possibly I may be wrong, but it always seems to me that after a thorough knowledge of the rules of the game—the spirit of them as well as the letter—the next most important qualification necessary in a referee is an abundance of tact—and then some more tact. He requires this quality in dealing with the players, often, too, it comes in useful when he is called upon to deal with a rowdy section of onlookers; and I think, too, that tact must be required by the referee in dealing with the two minor officials, the linesmen who are there to assist him to carry out his duties.

"Appreciating, as I do, all the pitfalls which are spread for the referee, I don't want to add to the criticism which is hurled at his head, but one cannot fail to notice the different attitude which is taken up by different referees in their treatment of the linesmen. Some of the referees seem to appeal to the linesmen on any and every possible occasion. This seems to me rather a sign of weakness than of strength, for so long as the premier official is in a the referee was not in a good position to see clearly. Between the two types of officials there is the happy medium, and I find by experience that this is the man who makes the fewest vital mistakes.

"For some time, though, I have felt that neutral linesmen might be used even more than they are now, and that they might also appreciate a bit more power. In the course of every season we are confronted with the problem of the off-side rule, and as part of the problem there are the mistakes which referees make over this rule, mistakes which are perfectly understandable, and about which one simply can't be critical. I wonder, though, if it wouldn't be better to leave off-side decisions to the linesmen. From his position in the middle of the field the referee must look to the right and to the left before he can decide whether the player receiving the ball is in an off-side position. This necessity is responsible for many mistakes, as the position of the player shifts so rapidly. The linesmen, however, are generally in such a position, or should be, that they can look right across the field at one glance, and I have a feeling that this would enable them to make correct decisions more frequently than is possible from the referee's position. I may be wrong in this idea, but I should certainly like to see it tried."

PROGRAMME

BRERETON PARK—3.15 p.m.

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GLADESVILLE.
(Maroon.)

McNee
1—Waldegrave 2—Pont
3—Dey 4—Maisie 5—Lyon
6—Hill 8—Henson 10—Robertson
7—Macfarlane 9—Dodds

RESERVES:
11—Gay 12—Hopper
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PYRMONT RANGERS.
(Blue with Gold Sashes, Crossed Back and Front.)

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CANTERBURY No. 1.

CANTERBURY v. LEICHHARDT

REFEREE: MR. D. BROWN.

CANTERBURY.
(Blue and Gold.)

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(Maroon and Blue.)

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many of whom were unable to reach their seats.

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(Blue and Gold.)

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(Maroon and Blue.)
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1—A. Presdee 2—A. Edwards
3—R. Parr 5—J. Murdoch
4—D. Herron
6—N. White 10—A. Lappan
7—H. McLeod 9—I. Stacey
8—W. Kerr
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4—A. Forbes
6—Cambpell 10—A. Berry
7—Wyber 9—Hutcheson
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Yours, etc.,
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PROGRAMME

WENTWORTH PARK, 3.15 P.M.

GRANVILLE v PYRMONT

REFEREE: LESTER

GRANVILLE.
(Black and White Stripes.)

GOALKEEPER:
J. HEDGES.

FULL BACKS:
1—C. LEABEATER 2—J. COMRIE

HALVES:
3—R. HENDERSON 4—H. SPURWAY 5—E. DOHERTY

FORWARDS:
6—S. BOURKE 8—A. DOERNER 10—F. RAMSAY
7—H. WINTER 9—J. MILNER

RESERVE: 11—W. Watson.

PYRMONT.
(Blue.)

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FORWARDS:
6—A. MACLEAN 8—S. ALEWOOD 10—LEES
7—E. LOVERIDGE 9—S. BURCHAM

RESERVES:
11—Sellars 12—Moxham

WENTWORTH PARK—1.45 p.m.

TWO BLUES v AUBURN

REFEREE: BATES.

TWO BLUES
(Two Blue Stripes.)

GOALKEEPER:
C. CALLAGHAN.

FULL BACKS:
1—S. GRIFFITH. 2—W. MACE.

HALF BACKS:
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THE PROTESTANT CHURCHES' ASSOCIATION.

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If All Saints can reproduce their form to-day they should shake up Dulies A. Provided Aidan's can field their regular team, they will shake up Alex. Cong's. A. However, I think the Congs. will pull it off.

St Anne's were tossed badly to the tune of 5-1. In the first half the Balmain boys had it all their own way, and netted five goals. In the second spasm St. Anne's woke up, but their kick-and-rush tactics did not avail them much. Chapman, Andrews, Freeman and Cox were the pick of the field. One of the finest and fastest games played this season was exhibited at Centennial Park last Saturday, when St. Alban, Alt., A and Ryde Meth. drew, 1-1. This is the second time these teams have drawn. Stewart scored in the first half, while Kelly equalised after half-time. The Ultimo boys should be careful what they say about the referee as they are leaving the field. This sort of thing is liable to cause them a little inconvenience if it is continued. St. Bede's again suffered the dregs of defeat, this time at the hands of Leichhardt Meth. This team deserves a few victories, as they have been playing very consistently lately. Souls B were unlucky to lose to Drummoyne Bap. They were up against a heavier team, but, unlike their opponents, spend most of their time being offside.

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Hurlstone Park won by 2 goals to 1, and should they repeat their performance the competition winners will be hard to pick.

At Goodlet Park Campsie F.C. went under to Hurlstone Park by 2 goals to nil, Bacon scoring both goals. The result was rather a surprise, as in their last match Campsie had a walk-over with a 6-goal margin.

Bankstown "B" still maintain their unbeaten record by defeating Campsie Albions by 2 goals to nil. The "Towns" have a six-point lead in the "B" Grade Competition, and have 21 points to their credit out of a possible 22.

Campsie Rechabites and Campsie Athletics played a 1-all draw at Hurlstone Park. Catford scored for the "Bites" and Anderson for Athletics. The Rechabites team always plays a good game, but seem to have no luck, as will be seen. To date they have played 10 games, won nil, drawn 5, and have only had 10 goals scored against them, which, I am sure, is a record for a team that has not won a game, with only 10 foals against them.

The surprise of the day was at Bankstown, when the "Towns" beat the undefeated Canterbury Juniors in the "C" Grade by 1 goal to nil. The Juniors had a chance to equalise Smith scoring from a penalty kick near time from a penalty kick, but Gray missed badly. The Juniors are leading in the "C" Grade, with Bankstown one point behind. Both these teams meet again in their deferred game.

Don't forget euchre and dance on Saturday, August 18, at Canterbury Town Hall.

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We find that the District Team is being taken away week after week. Its supporters are losing interest, and its funds are being depleted. In spite of this treatment we have two other local teams—Two Blues and Auburn—who might easily have been kept here to-day, being taken away to W.P.O.

If this is fostering the game, well, the sooner we obtain the services of an arbitrator the better it will be for all concerned.

St. John's appeared at the last meeting to throw some light on the cause of their internal squabbles.

The break-away section from Canley Vale has been asked to chum up, even if only for the rest of the season.

St. John's Park is a pretty little village a few miles from Canley Vale. They have a pretty little ground and an enthusiastic following. Shower bath and other comforts are to be provided at an early date.

St. John's Juveniles have been allowed to withdraw from the Comp. They hope to come up stronger next season.

Waratahs, called upon to produce certificates, failed to obey the lawful command. Result: All the members and officers of team have been suspended till they do.

Players who hold certs. will be well advised to produce same as early as possible.

Teams in Grades 18 and 16 are again notified that entries for the "Ainslie" Challenge Cup will definitely close on Monday next.

Also note Council meets on Monday night.

United has arranged to go to Kandos next Saturday to play the Kandos Wanderers.

This is really the true spirit of fostering the game. Not confining it to the four walls of a ground.

Arrangements have been made for a Lithgow school team to play Rosehill School at Clyde at an early date.

Referee Davey reports a ver game in spite of the scores.

Sid. Webber, Auburn's chief ser, rendered yeoman servi keeping the barrackers clear lines. We thank them both fo vices rendered.

Auburn should end the with a belt of scalps.

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The juveniles, Auburn A an ted, settled an old argument the A's came out on top, 3-0.

Kewpies dressed the Aubur down, 4-0. Lidcombe also wo the C's, 4-0.

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The All-age rivals also fixed good style.

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We find that the District Team is being taken away week after week. Its supporters are losing interest, and its funds are being depleted. In spite of this treatment we have two other local teams—Two Blues and Auburn—who might easily have been kept here to-day, being taken away to W.P.O.

If this is fostering the game, well, the sooner we obtain the services of an arbitrator the better it will be for all concerned.

St. John's appeared at the last meeting to throw some light on the cause of their internal squabbles.

The break-away section from Canley Vale has been asked to chum up, even if only for the rest of the season.

St. John's Park is a pretty little village a few miles from Canley Vale. They have a pretty little ground and an enthusiastic following. Shower bath and other comforts are to be provided at an early date.

St. John's Juveniles have been allowed to withdraw from the Comp. They hope to come up stronger next season.

Waratahs, called upon to produce certificates, failed to obey the lawful command. Result: All the members and officers of team have been suspended till they do.

Players who hold certs. will be well advised to produce same as early as possible.

Teams in Grades 18 and 16 are again notified that entries for the "Ainslie" Challenge Cup will definitely close on Monday next.

Also note Council meets on Monday night.

United has arranged to go to Kandos next Saturday to play the Kandos Wanderers.

This is really the true spirit of fostering the game. Not confining it to the four walls of a ground.

Arrangements have been made for a Lithgow school team to play Rosehill School at Clyde at an early date.

The P. and C. Association is to entertain the boys after the game.

Tanners and Peters Cricket Club will again play on the pitch in Gee's Paddock during the coming season.

True to expectations, Auburn Juniors defeated Kogarah in the Richardson Cup Comp. 6-0.

Referee Davey reports a very fair game in spite of the scores.

Sid. Webber, Auburn's chief adviser, rendered yeoman service in keeping the barrackers clear of the lines. We thank them both for services rendered.

Auburn should end the season with a belt of scalps.

The rounds were advanced a further stage last Saturday, and results were rather one-sided.

The juveniles, Auburn A and United, settled an old argument, and the A's came out on top, 3-0.

Kewpies dressed the Auburn B's down, 4-0. Lidcombe also won from the C's, 4-0.

In the under 18 Rovers at last had a win, 5-2. The victims were Auburn B. Congratulations Rovers. Better luck in the "Ainslie."

The All-age rivals also fixed up in good style.

Holroyd and Lidcombe came out on even terms, 1-1.

United had no trouble from Blues. Caledonians also settled the Rovers, 3-0.

In the Churches Grade St. Mark's, still on top, had the best win, 5-0. over Auburn Pres.

Thistles were too thorny for Baptist, 5-1.

Congs. and Mission met as a curtain raiser at Clyde. The Congs. won, 4-2.

Mission played a good game, but fell away towards the end.

Bill Leydecker, one of the old line of Granville players, has this team under control.

Bill was a grand full-back in his day.

Later he refereed most of the important matches.

FIXTURES FOR TO-DAY.

Juveniles.—Holroyd v. Carlingford, Granville Park, 1.45; Auburn A v. Ryde, Gee's, 2.45; United v. Lidcombe, Auburn Park, 1.45; Auburn C v. Kewpies, Gee's, 1.45.

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Holroyd	12	6	3	3	—	14	12	15
Auburn B ..	11	5	6	—	1	18	23	12
United	11	4	6	1	1	12	13	11
Lidcombe ...	10	3	6	1	1	6	22	8
Waratah	12	4	7	1	—	9	34	9
Auburn C ..	10	1	9	—	1	2	32	4
St. John's ..	11	1	10	—	—	0	63	2

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Two Blues ..	8	4	3	1	—	23	12	9
Lidcombe ...	8	4	4	—	—	21	8	8
Auburn. B ..	10	1	8	1	—	16	35	3
Rovers	10	1	9	—	—	9	97	2

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Rovers	11	1	9	1	1	8	39	5
St. John's ...	9	0	7	2	1	4	39	4
Ferndale ...	10	0	9	1	1	7	51	3

FILLING A GAP.

A little while ago a team happened to have struck a very bad patch in the way of injuries and 'flu. So many men were laid up that the club's selection committee were at their wits' end to make up the team. As a last resort, one man was pressed into service who was not fit to play.

"However, I'll do my best!" he said pluckily. And on the field he went to do his best. As was almost inevitable, however, in view of his unfit condition, it was a very poor best, and his repeated failures roused a certain section of the onlookers, who repeatedly gave him the "bird."

FOOTBALLERS VERY THIN-SKINNED.

"I'm hanged if I'll ever play for you again!" said the player at the end of the match. Nobody could blame him. He had gone on the field when he ought not to have done so, and struggled to fill a gap; and had failed. Yet the spectators had shouted at him as though he had deliberately conspired to let the side down.

GIVE THE YOUNG 'UNS A CHANCE.

You may say that footballers ought to know better than to take any notice of the remarks of spectators who are unreasonable. Perhaps they ought, and I could tell you of some players with thick skins who don't care a hang what the man in the crowd says.

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Abbreviated Laws of the Game.

Eleven players form a team. For positions see team list.

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OFF-SIDE.—This is the hardest rule of all. A player cannot be off-side in his own half of the field of play, **nor when the ball is last played by an opponent, nor if he is behind the ball when it is last played.** He cannot be off-side when a corner kick or throw-in is taken, this protection ceasing when the ball is again played by one of his own side. With these general exceptions a PLAYER MUST HAVE AT LEAST THREE OF HIS OPPONENTS NEARER THEIR OWN GOAL LINE. To be penalised a player must be playing the ball or interfering with the play.

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Metropolitan Junior Associatio

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his club mates, and all teams have been supplied with tickets, and the Committee hope that all players will do their share in making the evening of August 13th a great success.

Mr. H. Procter, who has been confined to his home for some considerable time, is slowly progressing, and the latest reports to hand tell us that he is now able to leave his bed. Our sympathy is extended to our unfortunate Committeeman who has done much for the Junior Association, during his illness.

INTERSTATE JUNIOR MATCHES.

The Queensland Junior team will be with us in the space of a few weeks, and the return games are being looked forward to by both the Queensland and N.S.W. boys. Those who had the honour to represent their State last year in Queensland still have a warm spot for the boys of the northern State, and will do their share in making the visit of the Maroons a pleasant one.

Latest reports to hand indicate that the team which has been selected to uphold their State is a good one, and, considering that N.S.W. have still to beat the Queensland boys, a good team will need to be selected, the selectors will probably meet during this week-end to pick the team to do battle in the first Test to be played on the South Coast next Saturday.

CHARITY CUP.

The entries for this competition have not been coming in too fast, and the Committee decided to extend the closing date for a further week in order that teams who have not put in their entry may do so.

FIXTURES, 4.8.'23.

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Programme

EASTON PARK—3.15 p.m.

CAMPSIE THISTLE v. PYRMONT RANGERS II.

REFEREE: MR. S. MACDOUGALL.

CAMPSIE THISTLE

Team not Available.

PYRMONT RANGERS II.
(Blue with Yellow Sashes.)
C. Kettringham
1—A. Ellis 2—W. James
3—J. Black 5—W. Kettyle
4—J. Watson
6—J. Simmons 10—J. McKinney
7—J. Cohen 9—A. Righton
8—R. Reeves
RESERVE: 11—T. O'Toole

EARLY MATCH—1.45 p.m.

METTERS LTD. v. WEST SYDNEY.

REFEREE: MR. G. S. SKELLY.

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*Dul. Hill U.	10	8	2	0	1	48	10	18
*Lakemba ..	10	6	3	1	1	27	15	15
Lilyfield	11	4	3	4	1	14	11	14
*Cent. Jnrs..	10	4	5	1	1	16	31	11
S. T. Leigh.	11	4	6	1	1	15	27	11
Pyr. Refinery	11	3	6	2	1	16	22	10
*Y.M.C.A.	9	2	6	1	2	16	26	9
Westanglo ..	11	1	9	1	1	7	41	5
**5th F.A. ..	9	0	9	0	1	6	62	2

"B" GRADE.
First Division.

	P	W	L.	D	B	Goals F	A	Pts.
Easton Park.	10	6	1	3	1	23	11	17
**Glebe Uni..	8	6	1	1	1	33	3	15
*Lilyfield ...	9	5	1	3	1	14	11	15
*Bal. Fern...	9	4	3	4	1	20	13	14
Lakemba ...	10	4	5	1	1	16	26	11
Glebe Arc. ..	10	3	5	2	1	15	20	10
Dul. Hill ...	10	2	6	2	1	19	28	8
Newtown ...	10	0	10	0	1	4	32	2

Second Division.

	P	W	L.	D	B	Goals F	A	Pts.
Leichhardt ..	12	8	2	2	0	34	10	18
**Andle. Alt.	10	8	1	1	0	39	2	17
*Mville. Jnrs.	11	7	1	3	0	31	5	17
*Bal. Glad. .	11	8	2	1	0	37	10	17
Chester Utd.	12	3	7	2	0	15	43	8
Sunlight ...	12	2	8	2	0	14	40	6
**St. Peters.	10	0	6	4	0	12	30	4
Newtown ...	11	8	2	0	1	29	10	18
War. Avoca .	10	5	1	4	2	22	6	18
War. Iona ..	11	5	3	3	1	20	11	15
Lakemba ...	10	3	6	1	2	8	27	11
Manly	11	2	8	1	1	6	42	7
War. Wdrs. .	11	2	9	0	1	10	23	6
Wardell Rd..	11	1	9	1	1	6	47	5

Second Division.

	P	W	L.	D	B	Goals F	A	Pts.
**Pyrmont .	10	8	1	1	0	37	9	17
*Bondi	11	7	1	3	0	11	10	17
And. Fed. ..	12	8	3	1	0	19	13	17
And. Rovers.	12	8	4	0	0	28	16	16
*B'ksmeadow	11	7	3	1	0	17	10	15
Botany	12	7	4	1	0	17	9	15
Leichhardt .	12	3	7	2	0	7	21	8
Sunlight ...	12	2	10	0	0	9	32	4

NEWCASTLE NEWS.

Mr. A. A. Stirling presided over a delegate meeting held on Saturday night.

The financial statement was received, and it was decided to give notice of the intention to pay off the balance of the grandstand loan. It was also decided to offer the State schools three sets of medals and the Roman Catholic schools one set for their competitions. Discussion took place on the recent test match gate, and it was decided to publish the receipts, which were £598 5s. 9d. This includes tax, reserved seats, and grandstand takings, 6,939 persons paying to see the game.

The next round draw of the Richardson Cup was made, and resulted as follows:—Boolaroo v. Newcastle-Hamilton, Dudley B v. Cardiff, School of Arts v. Adamstown A, New Lambton v. Rovers, Teralba v. West Wallsend.

WALLSEND v. WOONONA.

There was a large attendance at the Tramway Ground on Saturday, when Wallsend and Woonona met in their Gardiner Cup tie. The game, which was one of the best ever witnessed on the ground, resulted in a draw. Mr. J. Sneddon refereed his first big game, and

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On the other hand, there are

clair (backs), Cheney, Cunningham, and Jarrett half-backs), Casley, Veigal, Maddocks, Jones and Creighton (forwards).

Referee: Mr. J. Sneddon.

Wallsend were the first to attack, but the visitors' backs clearing. The ball was quickly returned, and Rees put in a high shot. Neill fisted the ball, which fell in the goal mouth, and Walker kicked into the net. Wallsend 1, Woonona 0. Within a few minutes the visitors had equalised. Casley made a good overhead kick, Owen headed away but Cheney secured. He sent to Maddocks, who tricked the backs, and with a clever shot made the scores equal. Play was fast and exciting, the visitors indulging in some excellent passing, while the whole of the Wallsend forward line were fast, and so both goals were quickly assailed. Woonona, however, took the lead when Jarratt's free kick was put to the centre; Maddocks quickly passed Urwin. Bower came out of his goal, but James got his foot to the ball and put into the vacant space. Gibson cut across, and made a hard attempt to stop the ball, but it was over the line. Woonona 2, Wallsend 1. These were the half-time scores.

In the second half Wallsend started off at a great pace. Gibson first taxed Neill, who fisted clear, while Walker's long return was safely held. Woonona went away, James making much headway before putting into goal, Owen clearing. The ball was soon back at the other end, where Davidson cut past Cunningham and Sinclair; Muir was too quick, and sent out of play. Time was drawing on when Rees got away. The defence was drawn and the ball crossed. Wills secured, and with a screw shot made the scores equal. From now on to full time both sides made strenuous attempts to secure the winning goal, but without success, and when the final whistle blew the score was Wallsend 2, Woonona 2.

Extra time was played. The first half favoured Woonona, but the second half was all in favour of Wallsend. The light was bad, and when the full-stop whistle blew a draw was recorded.

OTHER GAMES.

Kurri Kurri and Adamstown Senior met at Adamstown. Kurri created a surprise by playing a 2-goal draw with the prospective premiers.

Weston and Cessnock Senior met at Cessnock before a large crowd. The game was keen and hard. Brown scored the only goal of the match, while Ayers saved a penalty taken by Rennix. Cessnock won, 1-0.

Newcastle failed to raise a team for their senior match v. West Wallsend, and so a forfeit is recorded.

Neath beat Sydney Two Blues at Weston in their Gardiner Cup tie. Hansen and Roddam scored for Neath, and Galloway for Two Blues. At half-time Neath led 2-1. In the second half Two Blues had the best of the game, and netted once, but the whistle had gone for offside. At the call of time the score was unaltered, and Neath victors.

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